

Attorney Docket No. T9742

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: DONALD W. BRYAN)

TITLE: PEDICLE SCREW SPINAL

FIXATION DEVICE

SERIAL NO.: 10/075,795) RESPONSE A

FILED: February 13, 2002

EXAMINER: E. Robert)

ART UNIT: 3732)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the election or restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed October 7, 2004, applicant requests entry of this Response A and reconsideration of the above-captioned application.

A shortened statutory period for response of one (1) month was set for response to the Office Action. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Certificate of Deposit Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

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